State of California Regional Water Quality Control Board North Coast Region

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ITEM: 4

SUBJECT: Update on TMDL Action Plan Development in the Albion, Big, Noyo, and

Ten Mile Rivers

DISCUSSION

Regional Water Board staff are beginning to develop sediment Total Maximum Daily Load (TMDL) Action Plans for the Albion River, Big River, Noyo River, and Ten Mile River watersheds. These four TMDL Action Plans will be developed as four separate amendments to the Water Quality Control Plan for the North Coast Region (Basin Plan).

A TMDL Action Plan is a plan to restore water body health to a level necessary to fully support beneficial uses. More specifically, it is a strategy for implementing the pollutant load reductions needed to meet the TMDL. Sediment is the pollutant of concern in the Albion River, Big River, Noyo River, and Ten Mile River watersheds.

An update of the development of the TMDL Action Plans will be presented orally at the Board meeting.

PRELIMINARY STAFF

RECOMMENDATION: This is an informational item. No formal Board action is

necessary at this time.

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